

REMARKS

Claims 1-8 are pending in the present application.

Applicants submit herewith a Sequence Listing and a corresponding computer-readable Sequence Listing. The sequence information recorded in the corresponding computer-readable Sequence Listing is identical to the paper copy of the Sequence Listing. Support for all of the sequences listed in the Sequence Listing is found in the present application. The specification has also been amended to incorporate the appropriate sequence identifiers. No new matter has been added by the present amendment or the submission of the attached Sequence Listing.

Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for examination on the merits. Early notification to this effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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